IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE RAMESH RANGANATHAN

WRIT PETITION NO : 15299 of 2005

Between:

The Hindu Samaj, rep. by its Secretary,
Sri N. Babu Rao, S/o. Appa Rao,

Aged about 50 Years, R/o. D.No. 6-1-1,
Rangachari Road, T.Nagar,

East Godavari District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh,

rep. by Director General of Police,
Khairatabad, Hyderabad.

2. The Deputy Inspector General of Police,

Elur, West Godavari District.

3. The Superintendent of Police,

East Godavari, Kakinada.

4. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,

Rajahmundry, East Godavari District.

5. The Circle Inspector of Police (Town),

Rajahmundry, East Godavari District.

6. The Station House Officer, (SHO),

I Town, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District.

7. The Station House Officer, (SHO),

II Town, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District.

8. The Station House Officer, (SHO),

III Town, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District.

...RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate Writ, Order or Direction declaring the action of the respondents in interfering with the lawful activities of the Petitioner club, including playing of Rummy Games of 13 cards which is not a Game of Chance, in the Card Room of the Petitioner's premises, as illegal, arbitrary and without jurisdiction.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.T.NIRANJAN REDDY

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR HOME

The Court at the admission stage made the following:

ORDER:

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned Government Pleader for Home. Both the counsel agreed that the subject matter of this writ petition is squarely covered by the order of this Court in W.P.No.20253 of 2004 dated 04.11.2004.

2. Following the said judgment and in terms thereof, this writ petition is disposed of. It is, however, made clear that the respondents are at liberty to take appropriate action against the members of the petitioner-club if they promote any illegal activities in their premises. It is also made clear that in case any search or inspection is conducted in the premises of the petitioner, it should be done in the presence of the mediators having respectable status in the society. No costs.

RAMESH RANGANATHAN,J.

Date: 15th July 2005.

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9. Two CCs to the Govt. Pleader for Home,

High Court of A.P., Hyderabad (OUT).

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